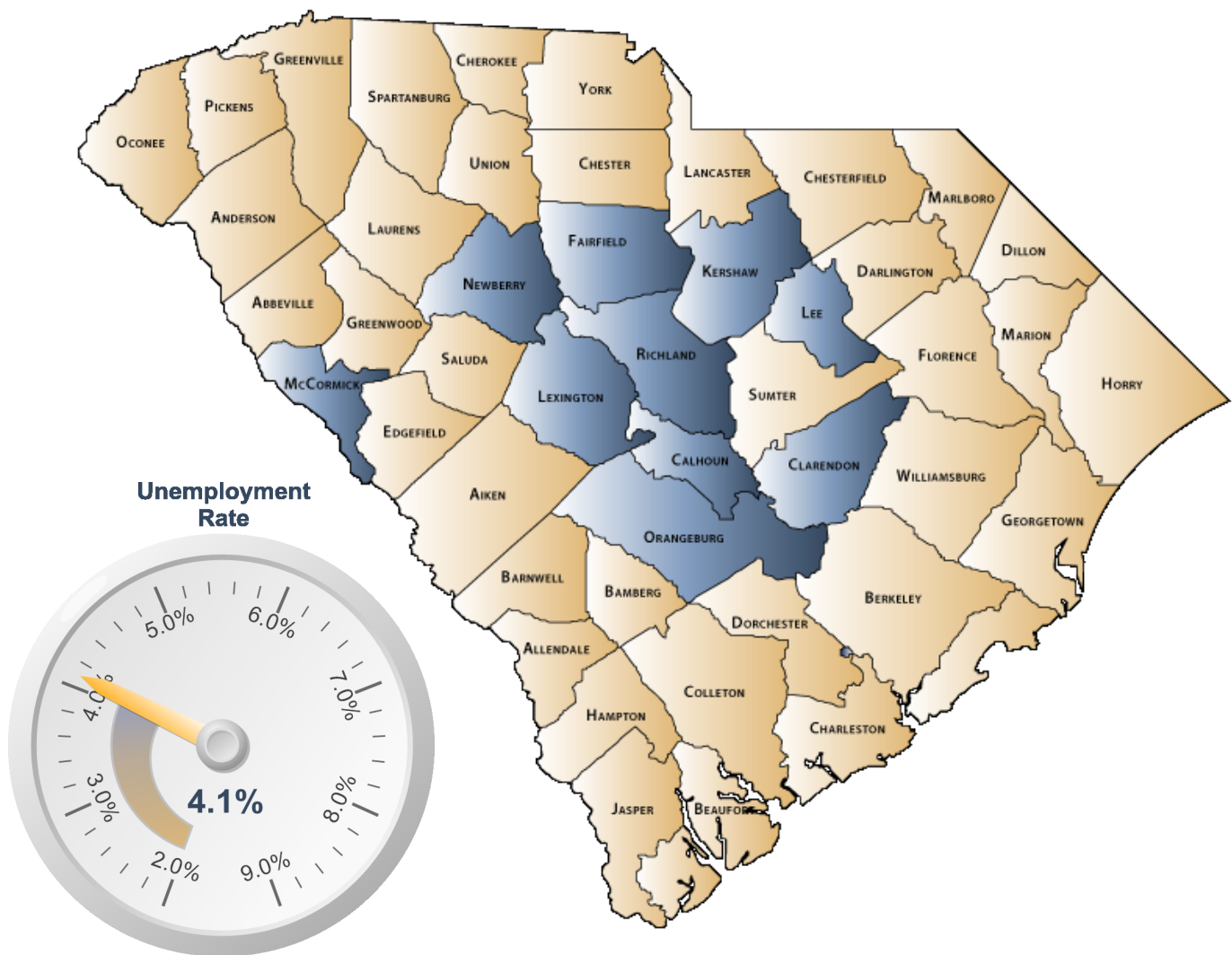


ECONOMIC PROFILE

Central SC Alliance



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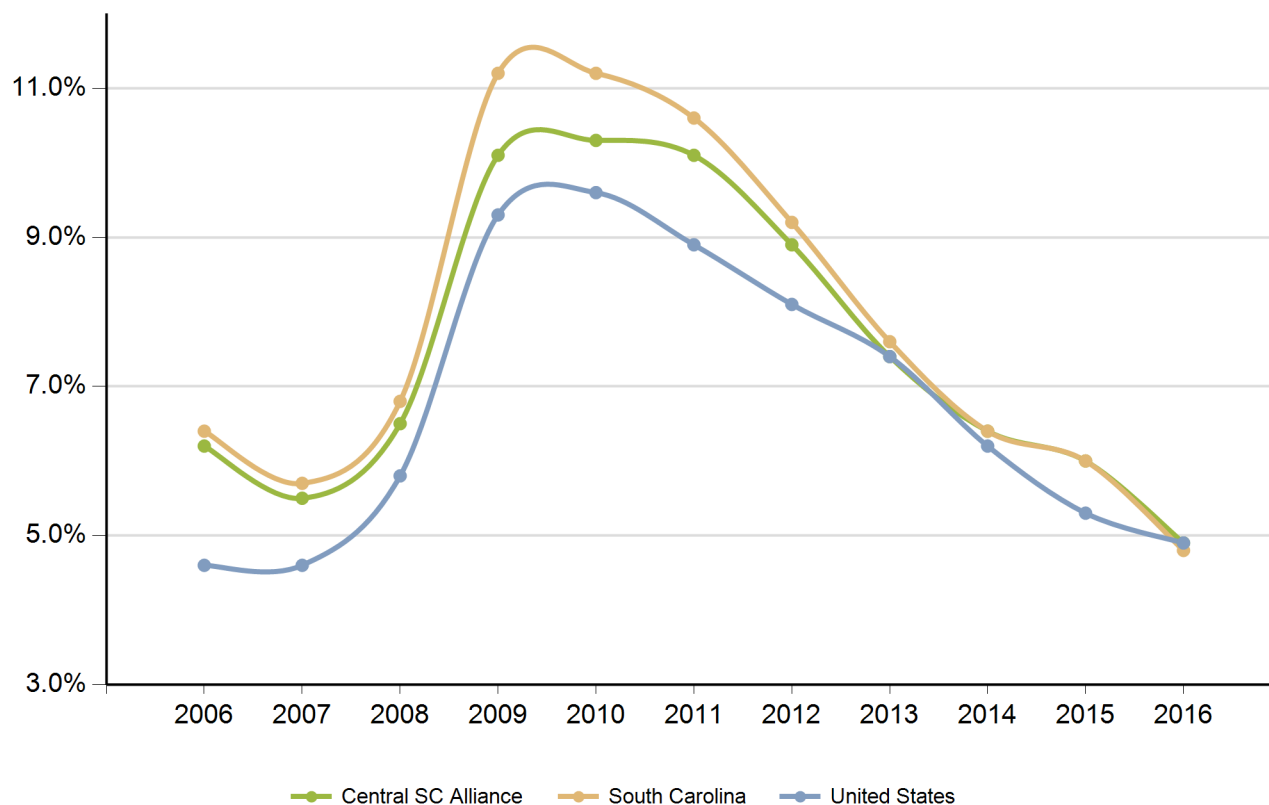
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

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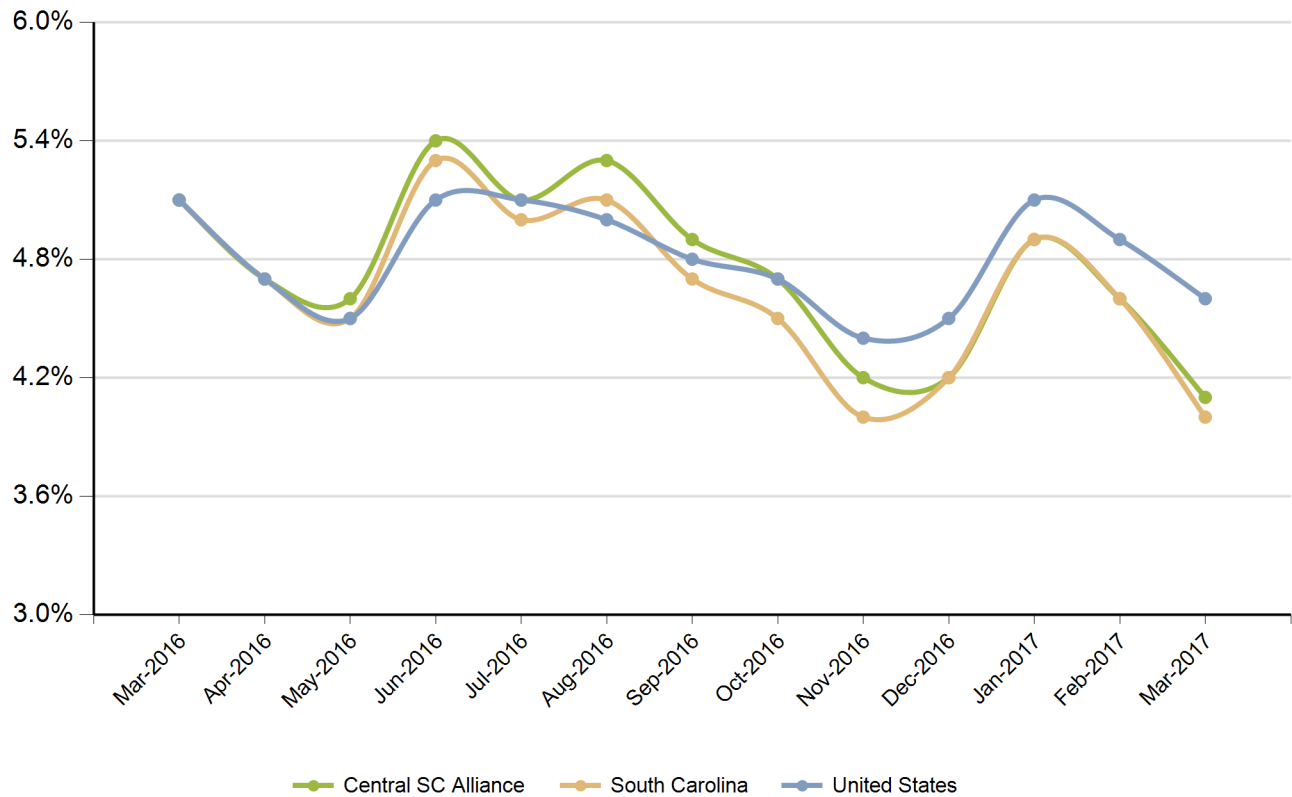


Year	Central SC Alliance			South Carolina			United States		
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate
2006	410,458	26,972	6.2%	1,973,337	135,760	6.4%	144,427,000	7,001,000	4.6%
2007	417,147	24,109	5.5%	2,005,686	120,205	5.7%	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%
2008	415,581	28,940	6.5%	1,996,409	145,823	6.8%	145,362,000	8,924,000	5.8%
2009	400,096	44,817	10.1%	1,910,670	242,075	11.2%	139,877,000	14,265,000	9.3%
2010	400,951	45,907	10.3%	1,915,045	240,623	11.2%	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%
2011	404,301	45,314	10.1%	1,945,900	229,623	10.6%	139,869,000	13,747,000	8.9%
2012	412,434	40,165	8.9%	1,985,618	201,260	9.2%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%
2013	419,726	33,488	7.4%	2,026,666	167,647	7.6%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2014	431,274	29,264	6.4%	2,081,511	143,151	6.4%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2015	440,757	28,229	6.0%	2,134,637	135,746	6.0%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2016	448,631	23,240	4.9%	2,186,740	111,067	4.8%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina	United States
Mar-2016	5.1%	5.1%	5.1%
Apr-2016	4.7%	4.7%	4.7%
May-2016	4.6%	4.5%	4.5%
Jun-2016	5.4%	5.3%	5.1%
Jul-2016	5.1%	5.0%	5.1%
Aug-2016	5.3%	5.1%	5.0%
Sep-2016	4.9%	4.7%	4.8%
Oct-2016	4.7%	4.5%	4.7%
Nov-2016	4.2%	4.0%	4.4%
Dec-2016	4.2%	4.2%	4.5%
Jan-2017	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%
Feb-2017	4.6%	4.6%	4.9%
Mar-2017	4.1%	4.0%	4.6%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Area Job Openings

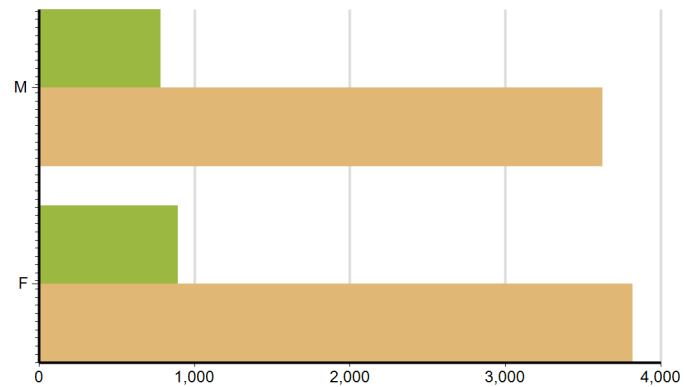
Period	Central SC Alliance				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Job Openings
Mar-2016	447,124	24,141	5.1%	15,651	2,174,229	122,223	5.3%	61,889
Apr-2016	448,568	22,209	4.7%	15,456	2,177,304	119,636	5.2%	67,021
May-2016	450,393	21,639	4.6%	14,021	2,180,526	116,513	5.1%	63,126
Jun-2016	449,273	25,717	5.4%	14,193	2,183,933	113,034	4.9%	61,518
Jul-2016	452,462	24,529	5.1%	13,967	2,187,396	109,596	4.8%	61,572
Aug-2016	449,659	25,379	5.3%	9,615	2,190,670	106,559	4.6%	63,800
Sep-2016	449,449	23,166	4.9%	14,308	2,193,612	104,025	4.5%	61,522
Oct-2016	449,651	22,064	4.7%	13,395	2,196,147	101,772	4.4%	59,888
Nov-2016	449,257	19,488	4.2%	12,534	2,198,274	99,867	4.3%	59,494
Dec-2016	448,280	19,714	4.2%	12,081	2,199,862	98,225	4.3%	55,454
Jan-2017	450,068	22,976	4.9%	12,810	2,209,188	101,455	4.4%	64,254
Feb-2017	453,518	22,065	4.6%	12,833	2,220,060	103,363	4.4%	61,052
Mar-2017	456,299	19,449	4.1%	14,437	2,229,599	103,587	4.4%	59,863

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce, The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® Data Series
 South Carolina Data is Seasonally Adjusted

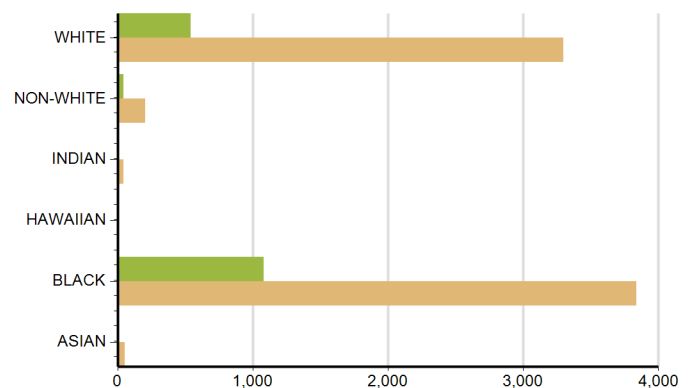
Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claimants

March-2017

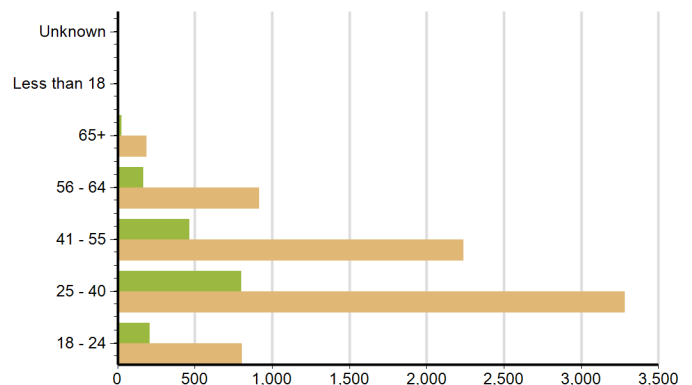
Gender	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
Female	893	3,821
Male	782	3,625



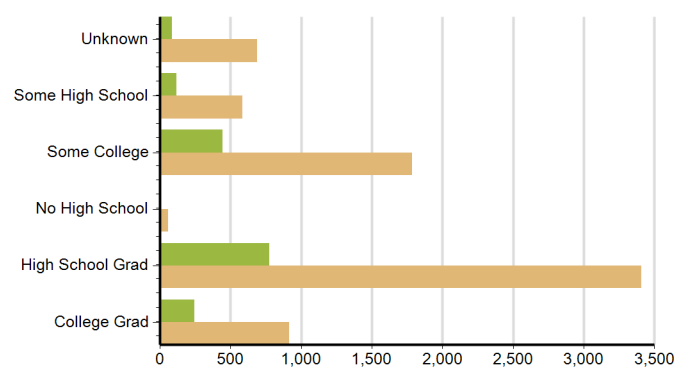
Race	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
ASIAN	9	54
BLACK	1,080	3,838
INDIAN	3	45
NON-WHITE	43	204
WHITE	540	3,297



Age Group	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
18 - 24	208	805
25 - 40	803	3,283
41 - 55	464	2,241
56 - 64	168	918
65+	27	188
Less than 18	3	5
Unknown	2	6



Education	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
College Grad	246	917
High School Grad	773	3,408
No High School	7	59
Some College	445	1,786
Some High School	120	586
Unknown	84	690

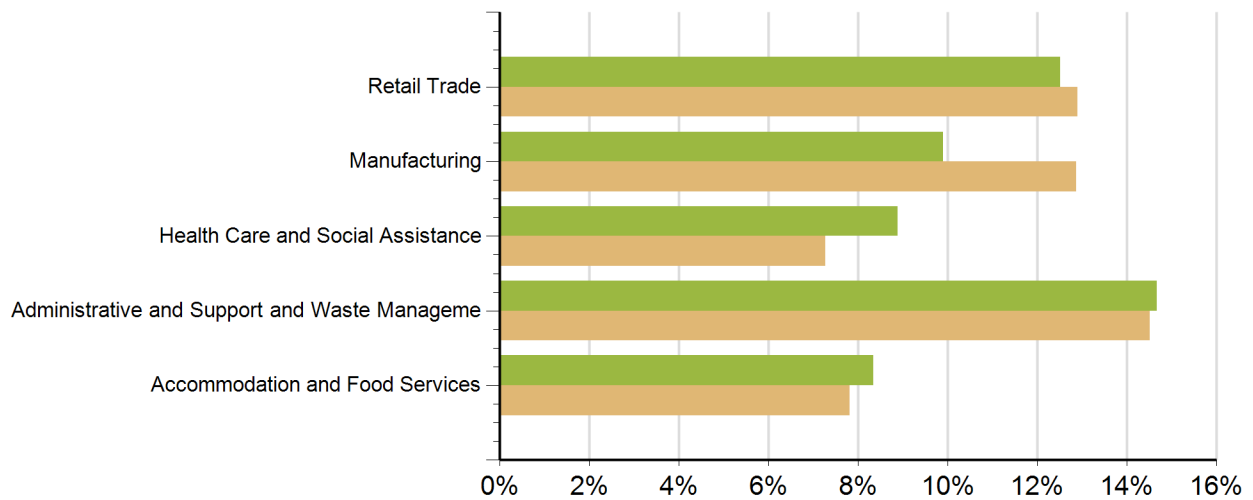


Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

Industry Groups with Largest Number of Claims

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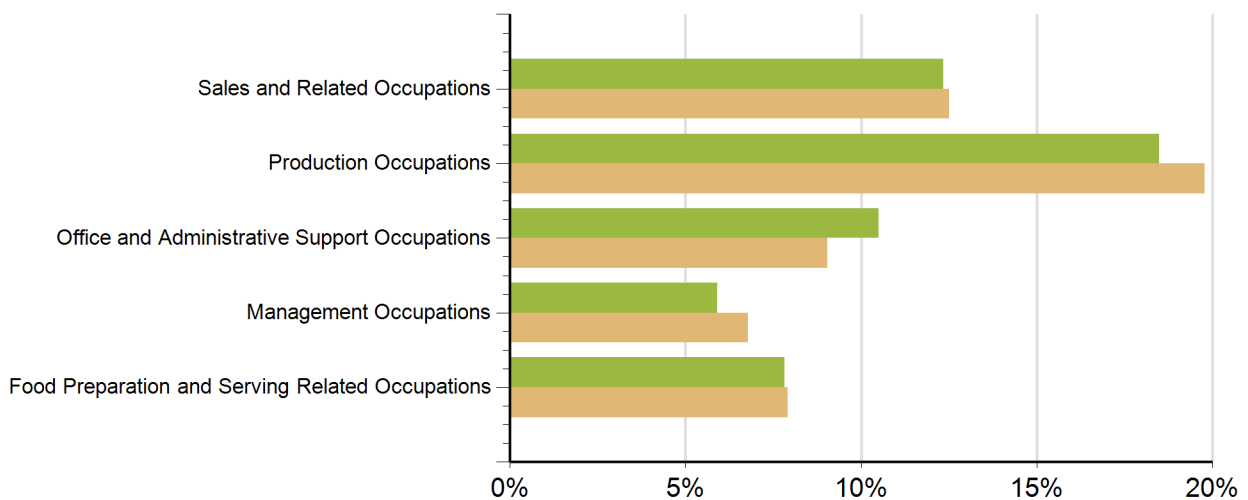
Industry	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
Transportation and Warehousing	66	261
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2	26
Utilities	7	13
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	6
Manufacturing	166	961
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	114	427
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	246	1,083
Other Services (except Public Administration)	38	163
Unknown	158	823
Retail Trade	210	963
Finance and Insurance	56	188
Information	38	132
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	24	107
Educational Services	27	112
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	18	46
Construction	86	508
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	12	48
Accommodation and Food Services	140	583
Public Administration	44	128
Wholesale Trade	74	341
Health Care and Social Assistance	149	542

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

Occupation Groups with Largest Number of Claims

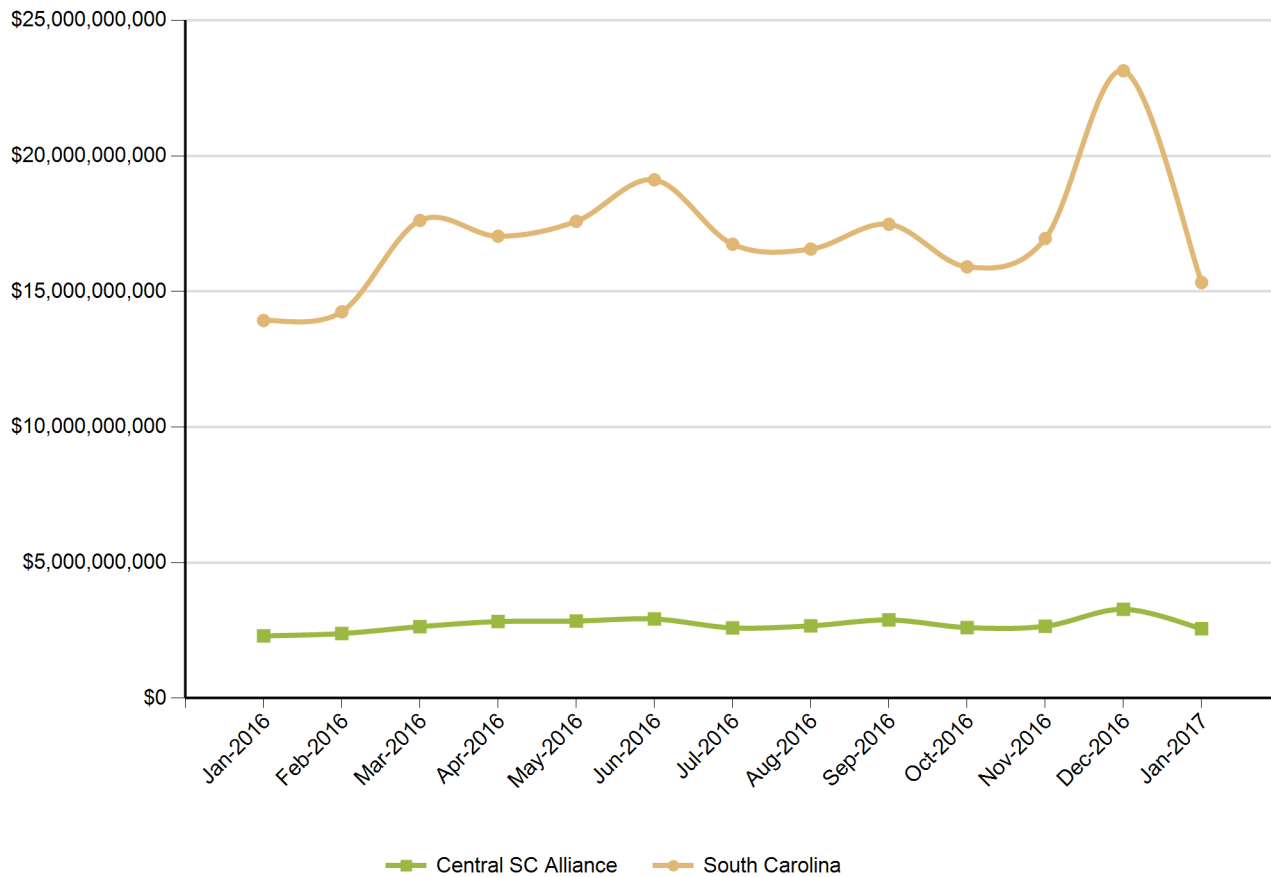
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Occupation	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	24	119
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occ	7	53
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occu	62	265
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	79	277
Community and Social Service Occupations	13	53
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	37	124
Construction and Extraction Occupations	78	518
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	28	82
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	9	32
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	131	590
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	37	163
Healthcare Support Occupations	94	335
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	53	265
Legal Occupations	8	26
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	2	10
Management Occupations	99	506
Military Specific Occupations	9	32
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	176	675
Personal Care and Service Occupations	26	103
Production Occupations	310	1,476
Protective Service Occupations	24	78
Sales and Related Occupations	207	933
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	66	319
Unknown	98	427

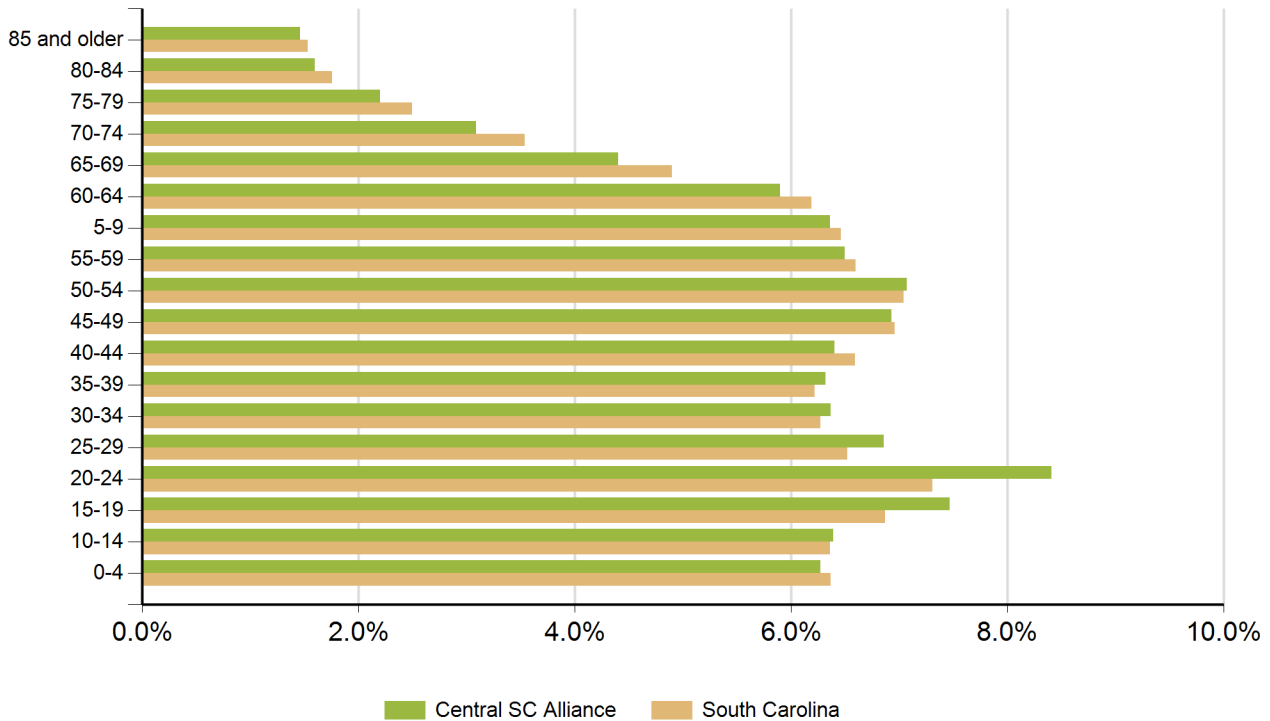
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Retail Sales



Source: SC Department of Revenue

Population by Age



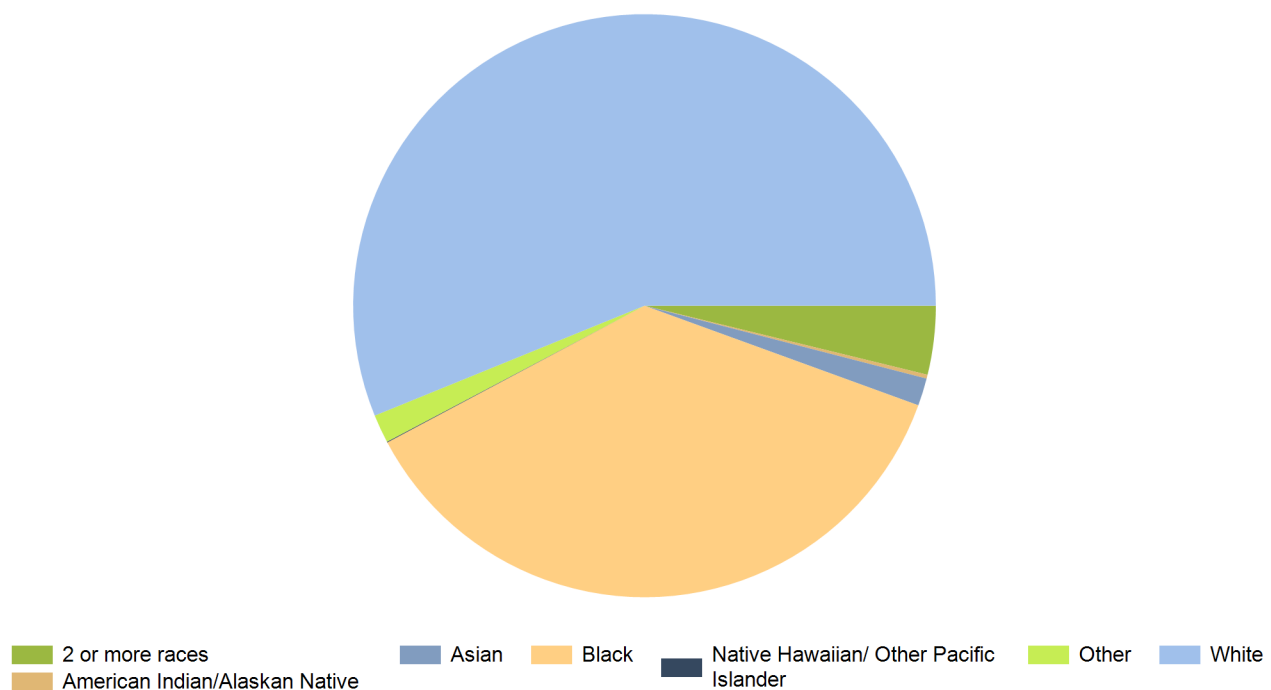
Age Range	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina	United States
0-4	59,603	298,242	20,052,112
5-9	60,451	302,111	20,409,060
10-14	60,674	297,443	20,672,609
15-19	70,951	321,540	21,715,074
20-24	79,882	342,237	22,099,887
25-29	65,149	305,167	21,243,365
30-34	60,473	293,464	20,467,912
35-39	60,060	291,183	19,876,161
40-44	60,778	308,158	20,998,001
45-49	65,801	325,660	22,109,946
50-54	67,120	329,431	22,396,322
55-59	61,772	309,061	20,165,892
60-64	56,080	289,690	17,479,211
65-69	41,785	229,251	13,189,508
70-74	29,372	165,797	9,767,522
75-79	20,933	117,187	7,438,750
80-84	15,171	82,223	5,781,697
85 and older	13,827	71,757	5,673,565

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Population by Race

Race	Central SC Alliance	%	South Carolina	%	United States	%
White	543,712	56.2%	3,144,146	66.0%	230,592,579	72.0%
Black	355,169	36.7%	1,298,534	27.3%	39,167,010	12.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2,099	0.2%	14,732	0.3%	2,540,309	0.8%
Asian	14,791	1.5%	61,097	1.3%	15,231,962	4.8%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	417	0.0%	2,128	0.0%	526,347	0.2%
2 or more races	36,840	3.8%	169,670	3.6%	17,464,666	5.5%
Other	15,274	1.6%	74,130	1.6%	14,746,054	4.6%

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey



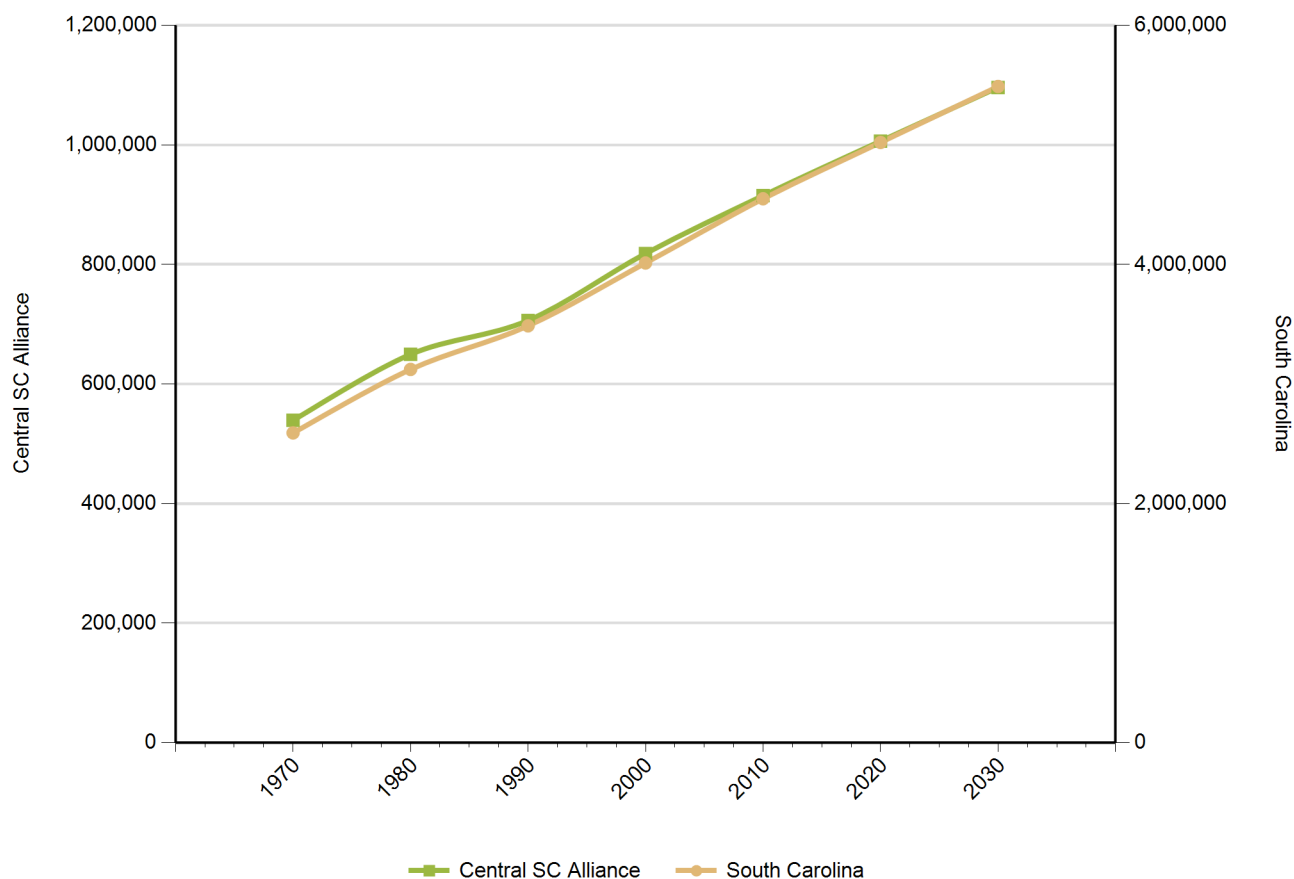
Population by Gender

Gender	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina	United States
Female	487,923	2,403,297	158,289,182
Male	461,959	2,276,305	153,247,412

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Population Change

Historical and Projected



Year	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
1970	539,330	2,590,713
1980	649,584	3,121,820
1990	706,225	3,486,310
2000	818,246	4,012,012
2010	915,160	4,549,150
2020	1,006,260	5,020,400
2030	1,096,020	5,488,460

Source: US Census Bureau

Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
0 to 4	11,382	72,215
5 to 9	3,705	19,964
10 to 19	2,779	14,629
20 to 49	2,233	11,292
50 to 99	829	4,446
100 to 249	445	2,717
250 to 499	106	824
500 to 999	50	376
1000 +	35	286

Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
0 to 4	18,413	109,185
5 to 9	24,796	133,038
10 to 19	37,893	199,397
20 to 49	68,694	346,711
50 to 99	55,953	305,282
100 to 249	67,273	411,824
250 to 499	35,936	284,463
500 to 999	33,409	256,747
1000 +	82,316	731,712

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Q3 2016

20 Largestest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name

PALMETTO HEALTH

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF SC

UNIVERSITY OF SC

LEXINGTON COUNTY HEALTH SERVICE DIS

WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

SC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 1

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

AMAZON COM DEDC LLC

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

WJBD VA MEDICAL CENTER

FLUOR DANIEL MAINTENANCE SERVICES I

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 5

SC DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

KRAFT FOODS NORTH AMERICA

CITY OF COLUMBIA

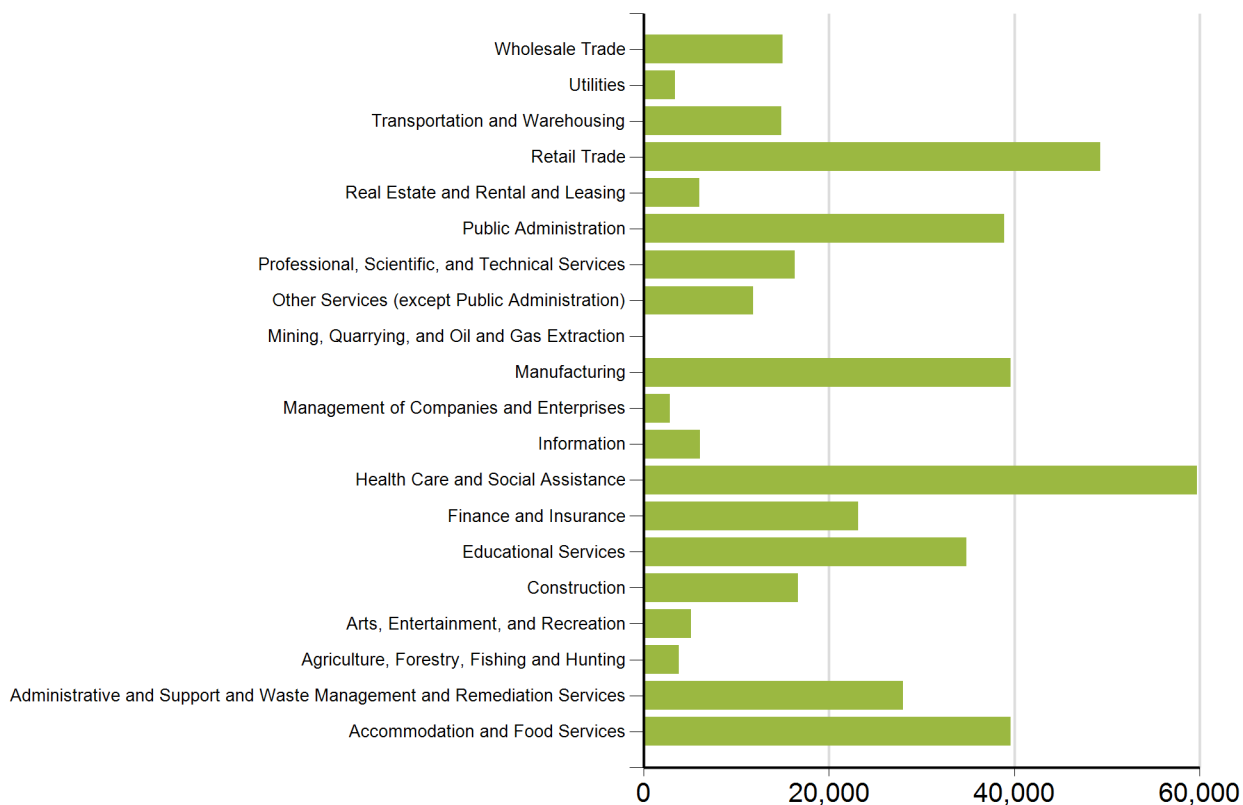
SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS CO

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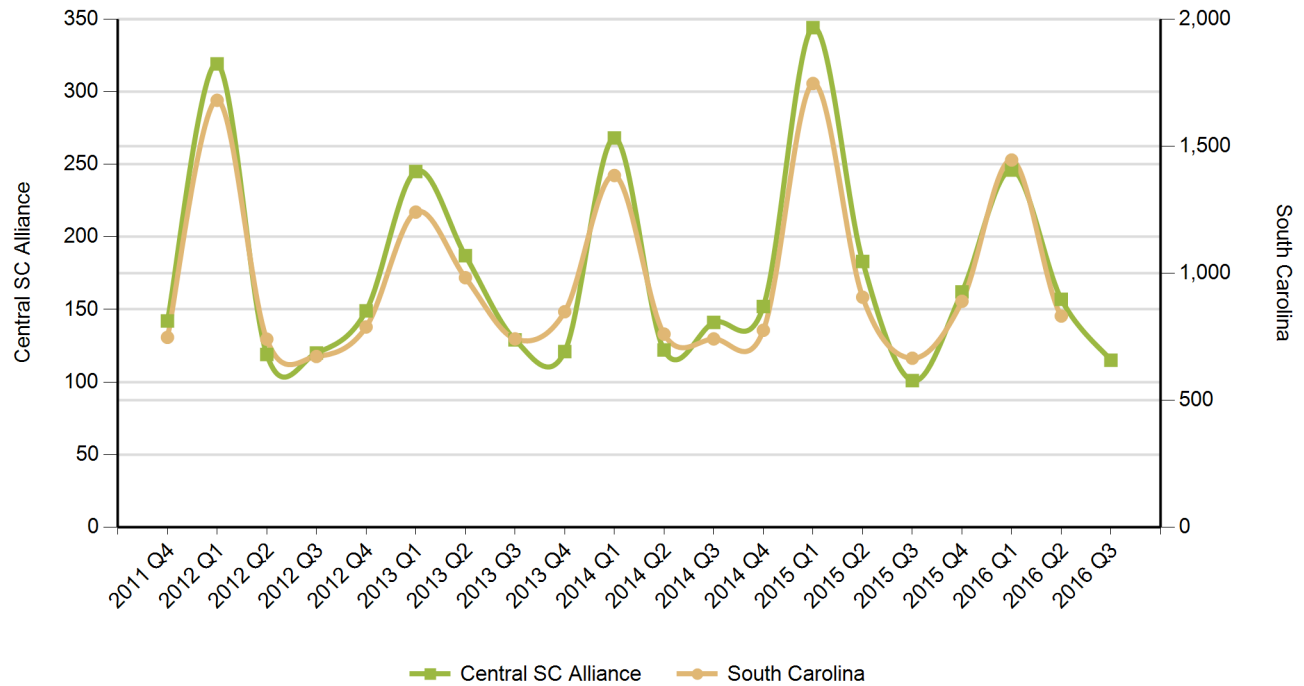
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Q3 2016

Employment by Industry



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - Q3 2016

New Startup Firms



Quarter	Central SC Alliance	South Carolina
2016 Q3	115	
2016 Q2	157	831
2016 Q1	246	1,445
2015 Q4	162	889
2015 Q3	101	665
2015 Q2	183	905
2015 Q1	344	1,746
2014 Q4	152	775
2014 Q3	141	741
2014 Q2	122	760
2014 Q1	268	1,384
2013 Q4	121	848
2013 Q3	129	741
2013 Q2	187	982
2013 Q1	245	1,240
2012 Q4	149	788
2012 Q3	120	672
2012 Q2	119	740
2012 Q1	319	1,680
2011 Q4	142	747

Note: A firm is included in the count when it does not have a UI Account Number in the previous quarter and has a Setup Date that falls in the quarter displayed.

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

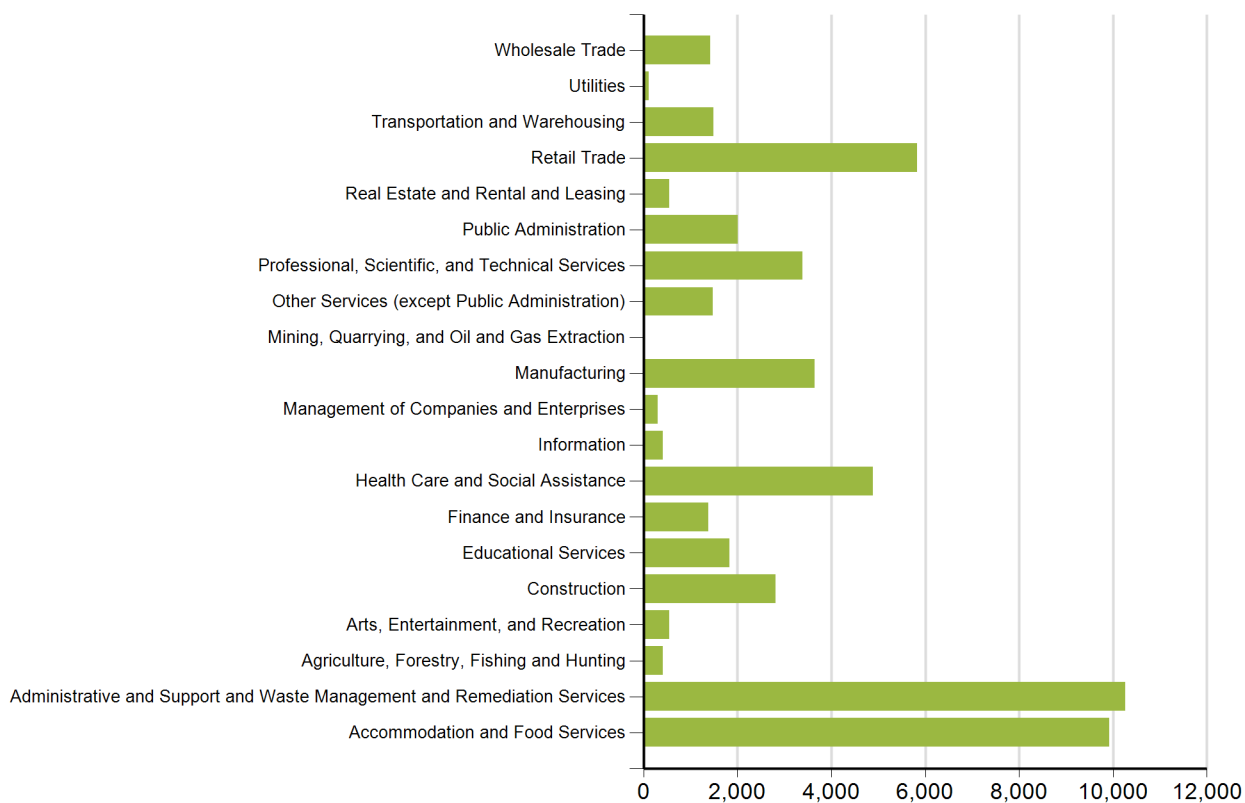
Top 20 Occupational Openings

April 2016

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Opening
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	1,555
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	595
Computer Systems Analysts (15-1121)	323
Computer Occupations, All Other (15-1199)	312
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	274
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	269
Computer User Support Specialists (15-1151)	260
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	257
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	242
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	220
Medical Assistants (31-9092)	210
Network and Computer Systems Administrators (15-1142)	201
Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)	201
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers (43-1011)	193
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (51-1011)	191
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	173
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	158
Physical Therapists (29-1123)	158
Nursing Assistants (31-1014)	157
Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)	143

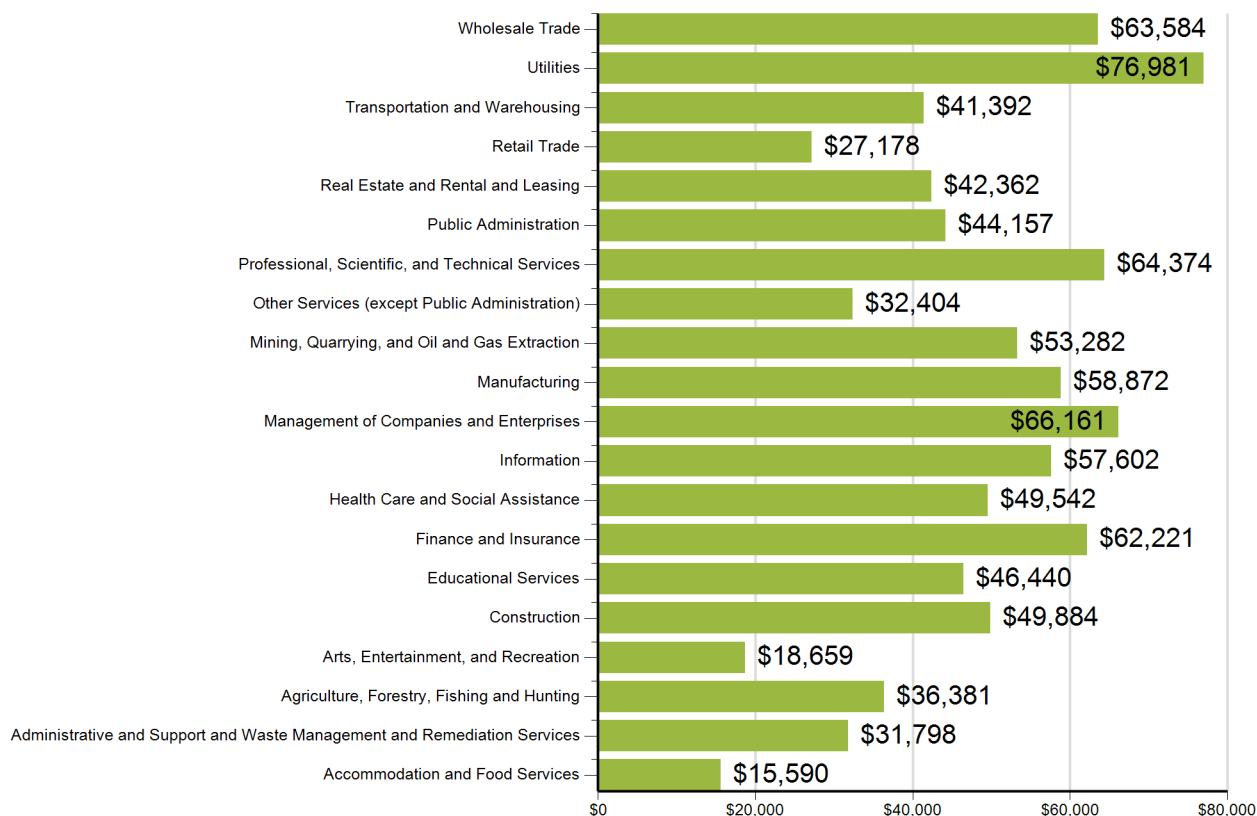
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce and The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® Data Series

New Hires by Industry



US Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - Q1 2014

Average Annual Wage by Industry



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - Q3
 2016

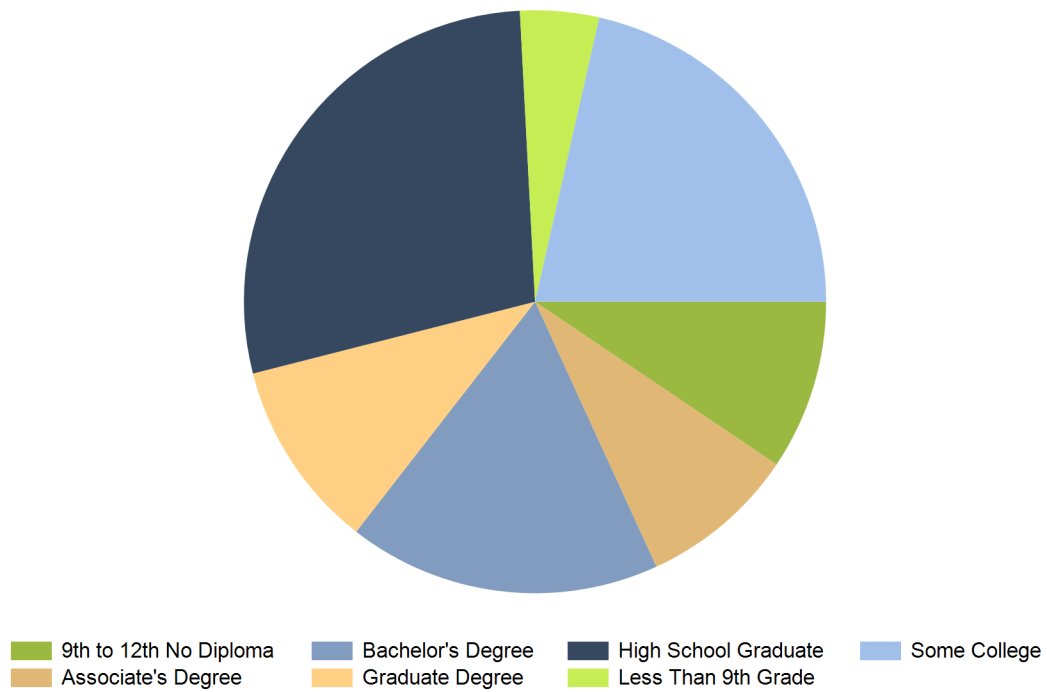
Age of Workers by Industry

Industry	14-18	19-21	22-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total, All Industries	6,263	17,452	25,488	88,953	89,474	92,220	68,523	20,138
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	26	92	178	763	777	892	707	367
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	4	6	47	68	102	97	11
Utilities	0	25	111	878	1,250	1,587	1,273	167
Construction	69	408	736	3,063	3,531	3,670	2,320	707
Manufacturing	83	881	1,688	7,345	9,285	10,559	7,775	1,212
Wholesale Trade	42	287	594	3,120	4,273	4,388	3,056	825
Retail Trade	1,684	4,682	5,037	11,225	8,406	8,562	6,383	2,633
Transportation and Warehousing	61	454	658	2,217	2,505	2,695	1,644	438
Information	47	102	287	1,434	1,501	1,502	1,266	274
Finance and Insurance	16	236	858	5,744	6,936	6,465	4,534	993
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	21	122	322	1,331	1,205	1,310	955	443
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	80	307	868	4,010	3,741	3,653	2,806	1,040
Management of Companies and Enterprises	58	111	178	658	663	648	466	113
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	154	1,687	2,711	7,917	6,335	5,896	3,867	1,357
Educational Services	126	366	1,222	7,287	9,596	10,022	8,852	2,779
Health Care and Social Assistance	133	826	2,580	12,281	12,874	12,698	9,648	2,582
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	169	331	386	847	680	711	546	291
Accommodation and Food Services	3,177	5,553	5,045	9,252	5,373	4,487	2,504	947
Other Services (except Public Administration)	219	500	736	2,388	2,211	2,340	1,807	927
Public Administration	41	420	1,245	7,106	8,208	9,979	7,981	2,002

Source: US Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - Q1 2014

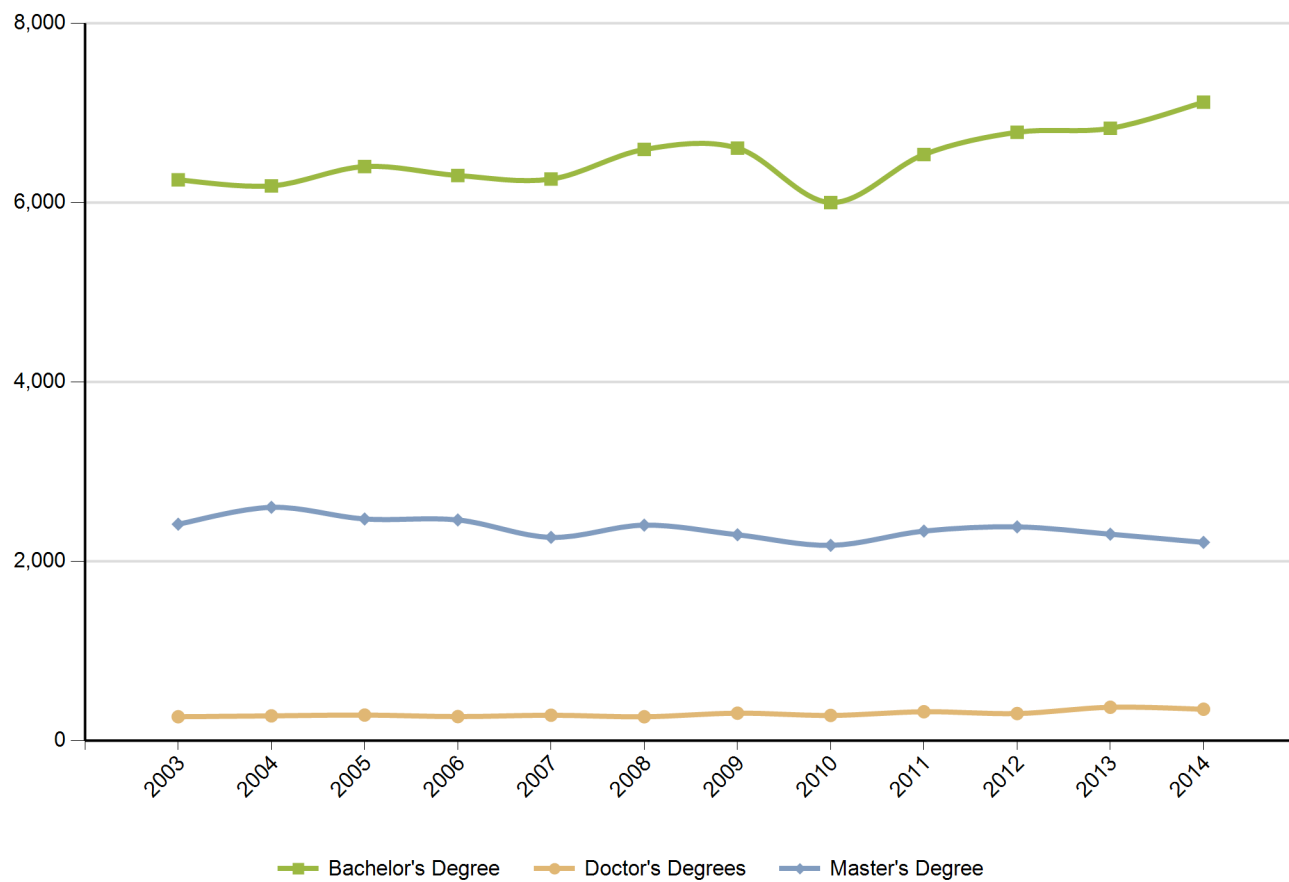
Educational Attainment

(Population 25 Years and Older)



Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey - 2013 5-Year Estimates

Graduate Trends



Source: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

Educational Institutions

Allen University
1530 Harden Street
Columbia, SC 29204
803.376.5700
<http://allenuniversity.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 81

Centura College-Columbia
7500 Two Notch Road
Columbia, SC 29223
803.754.7544
<http://www.centuracollege.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 86

Columbia Academy of Cosmetology
1221 Sunset Boulevard
West Columbia, SC 29169
803.796.9986
<http://columbiaacademyofcosmetology.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 12

Columbia International University
7435 Monticello Rd
Columbia, SC 29203
803.754.4100
<http://www.ciu.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 315

ITT Technical Institute-Columbia
1628 Browning Road, Suite 180
Columbia, SC 29210
803.216.6600
<http://www.itt-tech.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 103

Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology-Columbia
7474 Garners Ferry Road
Columbia, SC 29209
803.776.9100
<http://www.kennethshuler.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 45

Lenoir-Rhyne University-Lutheran Theological
Southern Seminary
4201 Main St
Columbia, SC 29203
803.786.5150
<http://ltss.lr.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 28

Newberry College
2100 College St
Newberry, SC 29108
803.276.5010
<http://www.newberry.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 198

Benedict College
1600 Harden Street
Columbia, SC 29204
803.256.4220
<http://www.benedict.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 309

Claflin University
400 Magnolia Street
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803.535.5000
<http://www.claflin.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 396

Columbia College
1301 Columbia College Dr
Columbia, SC 29203
803.786.3012
<http://www.columbiasc.edu/>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 348

Fortis College-Columbia
246 Stoneridge Dr Ste 101
Columbia, SC 29210
803.678.4800
<http://www.fortis.edu/>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 230

Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology and Nails-
Columbia
449 Saint Andrews Rd
Columbia, SC 29210
803.772.6042
<http://www.kennethshuler.com>
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LeGrand Institute of Cosmetology Inc
2418 Broad St
Camden, SC 29020
803.425.8449
<http://www.legrandinstitute.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 22

Midlands Technical College
1260 Lexington Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170
803.738.8324
<http://www.midlandstech.edu>
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Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College
3250 Saint Matthews Rd
Orangeburg, SC 29118
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700 Gervais Street Suite D
Columbia, SC 29201
803.772.2232
<http://columbia.paulmitchell.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 99

Regency Beauty Institute-Columbia
260T Harbison Blvd, Unit 20
Columbia, SC 29212
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<http://www.regency.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 23

Remington College-Columbia Campus
607 Bush River Rd
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<http://www.remingtoncollege.edu/columbia-south-carolina-technical-college>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 226

South Carolina State University
300 College St NE
Orangeburg, SC 29117
803.536.7000
<http://www.scsu.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 738

South University-Columbia
9 Science Court
Columbia, SC 29203
803.799.9082
<http://www.southuniversity.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 360

Southeastern Institute-Columbia
1420 Colonial Life Blvd, Suite 80
Columbia, SC 29210
803.798.8800
<http://www.southeasterninstitute.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 137

University of Phoenix-Columbia Campus
1001 Pinnacle Point Dr
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866.766.0766
<http://www.phoenix.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 144

University of South Carolina-Columbia
Columbia-Campus
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<http://www.sc.edu/>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 7470

Virginia College-Columbia
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<http://www.vc.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 242

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